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## REMARKS

This is intended as a full and complete response to the Final Office Action dated October 20, 2005, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on January 5, 2006 and the Advisory Action dated December 29, 2005. Please reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below.

Claims 32 and 35-37 remain pending in the application after entry of this response. Claim 32 has been amended and claims 13-23, 33, and 34 have been canceled without prejudice. No new matter has been added by either the amendments or new claims. Claims 13-23 and 32, 33, and 35-37 are rejected and claim 34 is objected to but would be allowable if redrafted in independent form. Reconsideration of the rejected claims is requested for reasons presented below.

Claims 13-15, and 18-23 stand rejected under 35 USC § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Roeder* (U.S. Pat. No. 5,055,002) in view of *Wilkinson* (U.S. Pat. No. 5,454,696). Claims 32, 33, 35, and 37 stand rejected under 35 USC § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Roeder* in view of *Wilkinson* and *Cooper* (U.S. Pat. No. 6,457,950). Claim 36 stands rejected under 35 USC § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Roeder* in view of *Wilkinson* and *Cooper* as applied to claim 32 above, and further in view of *Sanderford* (U.S. Pat No. 4,267,885).

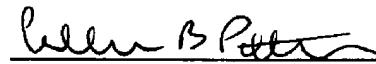
Claims 13-23 and 33 have been canceled. Claim 32 has been amended to incorporate claims 33 and 34 (which was allowable if redrafted in independent form). Therefore, claim 32 and its dependents are now allowable. Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

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In conclusion, the references cited by the Examiner, alone or in combination, do not teach, show, or suggest the invention as claimed. Having addressed all issues set out in the Final Office Action, Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully request that the claims be allowed.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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